movement and delivery of freight consignments through Customer Service Cells to be set up on all Zonal Railways.

Using the shadow-path created behind fast moving mail/express trains for speedy movement of freight traffic. High speed goods trains are slated to follow superfast express trains with adequate safety precautions to ensure expeditious transit of select high value and perishable goods.

Withdrawal of Rajdhani Express

3779. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Nizamuddin-Secunderabad Rajdhani Express has been withdrawn;

(b) if so, from which date it has been withdrawn; and

(c) what are the reasons for its withdrawal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) to (c) At present Secunderabad is connected to Nizamuddin by 2429/2430 Rajdhani Express on 4 days a week. The Nizamuddin-Secunderabad Rajdhani Express has been extended to Bangalore via Secunderabad w.e.f. 31.12.99. With this arrangement, Secunderabad is also connected to Bangalore by an overnight Rajdhani service 4 days a week and at the same time, Secunderabad has not been deprived of the Rajdhani services to Nizamuddin.

Civic-Amenities at Chunar Railway Station

†3780. SHRI RAMA SHANKER KAUSHIK: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry is constantly receiving memoranda/demand letters since 1995 from several persons and institutions for providing civic-amenities at Chunar railway station;

(b) if so, the details of demands made in such memoranda/demand letters; and

(c) what action has been taken so far by the Department, in this regard?

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†Original Notice of the Question was received in Hindi.